

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

LOK SABHA

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3979
TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.08.2016**

TRANSPORTATION OF FOODGRAINS

3979. SHRI C.S. PUTTA RAJU:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of foodgrains of Food Corporation of India(FCI) transported by the Railways during each of the last three years, zone-wise;**
- (b) whether the Railways has taken note that loading target was slashed by the FCI without prior information to the Railways that led to large number of rakes lying idle;**
- (c) if so, whether the Railways has incurred huge losses as a result thereof;**
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the quantum of losses suffered by the Railways as on date; and**
- (e) the corrective steps taken/being taken by the Railways to use the rakes lying idle?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a) to (d) : A Statement is laid on the Table on the House.

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STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3979 BY SHRI C.S. PUTTA RAJU TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 10.08.2016 REGARDING TRANSPORTATION OF FOODGRAINS

(a) Zone-wise loading of FCI during last three years is as under:

(IN MILLION TONNES)

ZONE	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Central Railway	0.465	0.325	0.240
East Central Railway	0.205	0.095	0.246
East Coast Railway	1.135	1.325	1.014
Eastern Railway	0.108	0.012	0.017
North Central Railway	0.240	0.200	0.138
North Eastern Railway	0.105	0.003	0.353
Northeast Frontier Railway	0.000	0.000	0.000
Northern Railway	23.382	26.107	20.764
North Western Railway	3.025	2.120	1.935
South Central Railway	4.790	4.245	3.461
South East Central Railway	1.350	2.012	2.689
South Eastern Railway	0.025	0.005	0.023
Southern Railway	0.000	0.000	0.000
South Western Railway	0.000	0.000	0.000
West Central Railway	1.305	1.264	0.921
Western Railway	0.800	1.220	0.031
TOTAL	36.935	38.933	31.832

(b) Yes, Madam.

(c) & (d) In the current financial year (April-July), Railways loaded and transported 9.376 million tonnes of foodgrains on account of Food Corporation of India(FCI), which is 0.334 million tonnes less as compared to that in the corresponding period of last financial year. Loss of earning on this account is approximately ₹ 59.90 crores.

(e) The surplus rakes have been deployed for loading and movement of commodities like cement, fertilizers etc. The requirement of BCNHL for the year 2016-17 is nil.
